# LET'S DO THE HAPPY DANCE!

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If momma ain't happy-ain't nobody happy.

If the teacher's not happy, how are those children going to be happy?

Sometimes you just have to fake it until you feel it!

#### WHY SING AND DANCE?

- The brain likes to move and sing!
- Music emits endorphins which make you happy.
- Active learning where multiple senses are used means more pathways to the brain.
- Songs and movement activities provide "brain breaks" and reinforce skills at the same time.
- Tunes and dances nurture self-regulation.
- IT'S ALL GOOD! Music is a universal language where all children can feel successful.

# Feeling Fine

I'm in right, (Hold up both index fingers and point to chest.)

Out right, (Point out with index fingers.)

Up right, (Reach up high.)

Down right, (Stoop down low.)

And I'm feeling fine. (Turn around in a circle.)

I'm in right, out right, up right, down right, and I'm feeling fine.
I eat the food that's good. (Pretend to feed self with a spoon.)

And exercise like I should. (Run in place.)

That's why I'm in right, out right, up right, down right,

and I'm feeling fine.

# Twinkle Friends

Twinkle, twinkle, little star. (Children face partner and touch

What a special friend you are. fingers gently in the air.)

From your head to your toes, (Point to head and then toes.)

We are special friends you know. (Hold hands and circle around.)
Twinkle, twinkle, little star, (Gently touch fingers to partner.)

What a special friend you are. (Hug friend.)

Now go find another friend (Children walk around the room

And we'll twinkle once again. and find another friend.)

#### ABC Kick Box

Let's all jump up and kick box the alphabet. (Dukes up, shoulders back, elbows in and make small circles with fists.) Jab with your right hand and say the letter; then punch across with your left as you make the sound. Back on your left foot to begin. A -/a/B -/b/...Z/z/Speed bag and make little circles. (Up, down, left, right.) Upper cut. (Punch down and up.) Hook. (Forearm across body.)

This time we're going to say the alphabet backwards starting with Z...

# Macarena Count to 100

# Handshakes

Thumb Kiss Hand Hug Butterfly Farmer

Spiderman Biker Bob the Builder

Squirrel Lumberjack Hamburger

#### JUST FOR FUN!

#### Banana Dance

Form the banana, form, form the banana.

(Bring your right arm up as you say this.)

Form the banana, form, form the banana.

(Bring your left arm up.)

Peel the banana, peel, peel the banana.

(Bring your right arm down.)

Peel the banana, peel, peel the banana.

(Bring your left arm down.)

Go bananas, go, go bananas.

(Jump around and act crazy!)

Go bananas, go, go bananas.

#### My Bonnie Bounce

(Tune: My Bonnie Lies over the Ocean)

My Bonnie (Stand up.) Lies over the ocean.

My Bonnie (Sit down.) Lies over the sea.

My Bonnie (Stand up.) Lies over the ocean.

Oh, bring (Sit down.) Back (Standup.)

My Bonnie (Sit down.) to me.

Bring (Standup.) Back (Sit down.)

Bring (Standup.) Back (Sit down.)

## TootyTa (Echo chant)

Chorus: A tootyta, a tootyta, (Hands over head and clap.)
A tootytata.

Thumbs up. (Stick up thumbs.)

Elbows back... (Bend elbows back.)

Feet apart... (Extend feet.)

Knees together... (Put knees together.)

Bottoms up... (Bend over and stick up bottom.)

Tongue out ... (Stick out tongue.)

Eyes shut... (Close eyes.)
Turn around... (Turn around.)

# Wally Acha

Wally acha, wally wacha,  $\dot{}$  (Slap thighs and then cross palms.)

Doodley do, doodley do. (Touch nose and ear with opposite hands.)

Wally acha, wally acha, (Slap thighs and then cross palms.)

Doodley do, doodley do. (Touch nose and ear with opposite hands.)

It's a simple little song there's not much to it, (Slap thighs and then cross palms.)

All you've got to do is doodley do it. (Touch nose and ear.)

Wally acha, wally acha, (Slap thighs and then cross palms.)

Doodley, doodley do. Poo poo! (Touch nose and ear.)

## Pizza Hut

Pizza Hut, Pizza Hut,

Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hut. (Sing twice.)

MacDonald's, MacDonald's,

Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hut.

MacDonald's, MacDonald's,

Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hut.

Burger King and Taco Bell

Dairy Queen and Arby's

Red Lobster and Wendy's

# Granny at the Fair (Echo chant.)

My granny went

To the county fair.

And she bought

A rocking chair. (Begin rocking back and forth.)

And she rocked, and she rocked, and she rocked, and she rocked.

And she bought a fan there... (Begin fanning yourself with right hand.)

And she bought some scissors there... (Cut with left hand.)

And she bought some gum... (Begin chewing.)

And she blew a bubble there...

And she blew, and she blew, and POP! (Extend hands by mouth.)

## Peanut Butter

(Tune: "Allouette")

Peanut butter, we like peanut butter. (Clap hands and march to the

beat.)

Peanut butter, that's what we like best.

Do you like it on your head? (Point to head.)

Yes, we like it on our head.

On your head?

On our head.

Ohhhhhh. (Hands on cheeks and move head from side to side.)

Do you like it on your shirt... (Point to shirt.)

Do you like it on your pants... (Point to pants.)

Do you like it on your socks... (Point to socks.)

Do you like it on your shoes... (Point to shoes.)

On your underwear? (Cover your eyes.)

#### END WITH A SMILE AND A SONG

# We Had a Good Day

We had a good day. We had a great day. So pat yourself on the back. (Pat self on back.) We had a good day. We had a great day. So pat yourself on the back. (Pat self on back.)

We thought a lot today. We learned in many ways.
So kiss your brains. (Pretend to kiss brain.)
We thought a lot today. We learned in many ways.
So kiss your brains. (Pretend to kiss brain.)

It's time to say, "so long," and end with a song. Wave good-bye to your friends. (Wave and smile.) It's time to say, "so long," and end with a song. Wave good-bye to your friends. (Wave and smile.)

# It Is Time to Say Good-Bye

It is time to say "good-bye" to all my friends. It is time to say "good-bye" to all my friends. It is time to say "good-bye," give a smile and wink your eye. It is time to say "good-bye" to all my friends. Good-bye, friends. Yee haw!

# Give Me a Cheer!

\*Download cheer cards or watch a video at drjean.org.

Firecracker Ketchup Bottle

Hamburger Hip, Hip, Hooray!

Looking Good! Kindergarten Cheer

Trucker Genie
Rattlesnake Smiley

Catch a Star Donkey

Cheese and Grater Three Cheers

Disco Cheer Stomp, Stomp, Clap

Ole' Ole' Ole' High Five

WOW! COOL! "Micro" Wave

You Rock! Spiderman ~Batman~Star Wars

That's the Way I Like It Seal of Approval

Cowboy Cheer Round of Applause – Standing O

Parrot Cheer Harry Potter Cheer

Shine Your Halo Drum Roll - Beet hoven

A-W-E-S-O-M-E Sparkles and a Rainbow

Elvis Thank You Clam Clap

Gold Star Class Kiss Your Brain! Kiss Your Heart!

Fantastic Pat Yourself on the Back

Roller Coaster Hey! Hey! Good Job!

Brain Hug

Raise the Roof

"X" Cellent

Eye Hug Love It!

Pirate We feel good...huh!!